

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated December 15, 2004. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and further examination of the patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

Upon entry of the foregoing Amendment, Claims 1-28 are pending in the application. The amendments are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested. Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding rejections.

Summary of the Examiner's Rejections

Claims 29-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Simon (US 3,537,834).

Claims 1-28 were allowed.

Summary of Amendment

Applicants have cancelled Claims 29-37 (without prejudice).

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that by canceling Claims 29-37 then all of the stated grounds of rejections have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of all outstanding rejections and allowance of pending Claims 1-28.

It is believed no fees are due for this paper. If this is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required for this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-1481.

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